

REMARKS

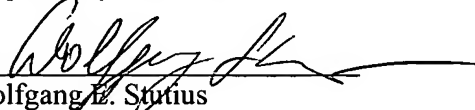
This amendment is submitted within 4 months of the filing date of the application to provide the serial number of the U.S. utility application to which priority is claimed and which was not available at the time of filing.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-1945, under Order No. SMCY-P03-085 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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